

Amendments to the claims

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of claims:

1. (Canceled)

2. (Canceled)

3. (Canceled)

4. (Canceled)

5. (Original) A cargo tie-down system comprising, in combination, a tie down device comprising a tie-down strap and a locking mechanism to tension said strap, and a housing for enclosing said locking mechanism and for securing any excess tie-down strap formed after tensioning said strap with said locking mechanism, said housing comprising a sack having a volume sufficient to contain said excess tie-down strap, and a generally flat portion adapted to contain said locking mechanism, said sack being foldable upon said flat portion and securable thereon.

6. (Original) The cargo tie-down system of claim 5, wherein said generally flat portion comprises a pair of spaced slits through which said tie-down strap is threaded.

7. (Original) The cargo tie-down system of claim 5, wherein said generally flat portion has opposite free ends,

and wherein said opposite free ends are adapted to be folded onto one another to enclose said sack.

8. (Original) The cargo tie-down system of claim 5, wherein said generally flat portion has opposite free ends, and wherein said opposite free ends are adapted to be folded onto one another to enclose said locking mechanism.

9. (Currently amended) The housing of claim ~~2~~ 6, wherein one of said slits is spaced inwardly of said sack.

10. (Cancelled)

11. (Cancelled)